



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report August 27, 2004

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending 27-Aug-04 average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	51.00	49.50	44.50	50.50	48.92
Last week	54.00	52.50	47.50	53.50	51.93

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 27-Aug-04:
New York 56-60 Chicago & Midwest 46-54

California 80

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 23-Aug-04 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

		North	South	South			Breaking	
	Northeast	Central	Central	Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Stock	Total
Current week	131.3	362.0	137.1	216.9	226.7	1074.0	289.9	1363.9
% change PW	-2	-2	-5	4	-3	-1	1	-1

Breaking Stock 27-Aug-04 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region		
Nest Run	32-35	29-34 M 31-33		
Checks & Undergrades	18-24 M 18-20	16-23 M 18-22		

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 21-Aug-04.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid		
	Broken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,308,226	30,939	12,861	6,387	2,798	4,381
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,314,100	30,731	12,551	6,483	2,681	4,362
LAST YEAR	1,226,600	30,193	10,939	5,900	2,367	4,246
% CHANGE PWK	0	1	2	-1	4	0
% CHANGE LY	7	2	18	8	18	3
TO-DATE 2004	40,451,123	959,997	388,375	211,305	91,580	138,592
TO-DATE 2003	38,056,552	927,251	347,205	190,257	77,116	137,676
% CHANGE YTD	6	4	12	11	19	1

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 41.71 Previous Week: 41.19 Last Year: 41.81

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 38.36 Previous Week: 37.87 Last Year: 38.34

National Liquid Eggs - 27-Aug-04 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

				Change From
Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Last Week
WHOLE	10	29-32	30.63	-2.82
WHITES	31	37-39.5	38.03	-1.90
YOLKS	8	46-47	46.63	-1.58

Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 43 to 47 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported.

Frozen Egg Prices - 27-Aug-04 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Trucklot					Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.		
Class	Easte	rn		Central	Eastern	South California ²	
Whole	42-48	M	42-46	42-44	49-52	48-51	
${\tt Blends}^3$	TOO FEW	TO	REPORT		60-75	_	
Whites	50-57	M	50-54	50-54 M 52	56-61	56-59	
$Yolks^4$							
Sugared	54-58	M	56-58	54-59 M 56	62-67	62-65	
Salted	52-56	M	54-56	53-56	59-64	60-63	

² f.o.b. shipping point

National Dried Egg Prices - 27-Aug-04 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.73-2.05	1.78-1.90
YOLKS	1.34-1.60	1.40-1.50
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.65-4.50	3.85-4.00
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.50-1.80	1.54-1.60

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 21-Aug-2004

Fowl Slaughtered	in U.S.	U.S. Fowl Slaughtere	ed in Canada	Total U.S. Fowl	Slaughtered
This week	1,657	This week	123	This week	1,780
Last week	1,445	Last week	221	Last week	1,666
Last year	1,256	Last year	151	Last year	1,407
To Date 2004	44,931	To Date 2004	7,808	To Date 2004	52,739
To Date 2003	50,765	To Date 2003	8,278	To Date 2003	59,043

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 14-Aug-04

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	509	0	0	509
Last year /1	402	0	0	402
To date 2004/2	9,054	11	434	9,499
To date 2003	10,210	96	334	10,640

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 14-Aug-04

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	256	0	40	296
Last year /1	120	129	42	291
To date 2004/2	4,670	1,084	1,764	7,518
To date 2003	3,526	1,894	863	6,283

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 14-Aug-04

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	3,720	5,952	3,066	4,092	0	16,830
Last year /1	0	870	2,030	750	5,460	1,630	10,740
To date 2004/2	289	63,240	141,576	65,842	183,108	15,504	469,559
To date 2003	273	15,067	65,266	37,467	70,486	5,062	193,621

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

- /1 Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.
- /2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Cold Storage - stocks in all warehouses on 31-Jul-04 Frozen Eggs (Thousand pounds)

	Whites	Yolks	Whole & Mixed	Unclassified	Total
Current Month	2,567	1,388	9,493	3,278	16,726
Previous Month	2,755	1,104	10,798	3,599	18,256
Last year	2,684	1,155	11,104	3,627	18,570
% of Previous Month	93	126	88	91	92
% of Last Year	96	120	85	90	90

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Chickens and Eggs Narrative - 23-Aug-04

Total All Layers on 01-Aug-04 totaled 342 million, up 2% from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for all layers on 01-Aug-04 averaged 71.0 eggs per 100 layers, down 1% from a year ago.

Table/Commercial Egg Producing Layers on 01-Aug-04 = 283.4 million, up 3% from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for table egg type on 01-Aug-04 averaged 73.4 eggs per 100 layers, down 1% from 01-Aug-03.

30 Major Egg Production States produced 7.05 billion eggs during Jul-04, up 2% from Jul-03.

Egg Type Chicks Hatched during Jul-04 totaled 34.1 million, down 4% from Jul-03.

Eggs in Incubators totaled 31.1 million on 01-Aug-04, up 1% from a year ago.

Domestic Placement of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Future Hatchery Supply Flocks = 243,000 during Jul-04, up 6% from Jul-03.

30 SELECTED STATES

Table Egg Type layers on 01-Aug-04 = 266.0 million, up 3% from 01-Aug-03.

Eggs per 100 Table Egg Layers on 01-Aug-04 = 73.4, down 1% from 01-Aug-03.

Layers in forced molt on 01-Aug-04 were 4.5, up 10% from those in molt on 01-Aug-03.

Layers with molt completed on 01-Aug-04 were 23.2, up 1% from 01-Aug-03.

Layers sold during Jul-04 totaled 13.8 million, down 6% from Jul-03.

Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during Jul-04 were 5.4 million, down 8% from Jul-03.

Pullets less than 20 weeks of age on 01-Aug-04 = 96.5 million, up 2% from 01-Aug-03.

Pullets added during Jul-04 = 24.4 million, up 0% from Jul-03.

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